

MEMORANDUM

TO: Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project
Advisory Groups and Interested Parties

FROM: John Pandiani
Bill Bagdon

DATE: January 8, 1999

RE: Access to Mental Health Services: An Overview

The attached graph presents information on ten of the most basic measures of access to care that were recommended by the performance advisory groups. This presentation is intended to provide a broad overview of the performance of the major components of the system of care. The number of clients served (1985-1998) and expenditures for each program (1994-1997) with per capita rates have been distributed earlier. Expenditure figures for FY1998 are currently being prepared.

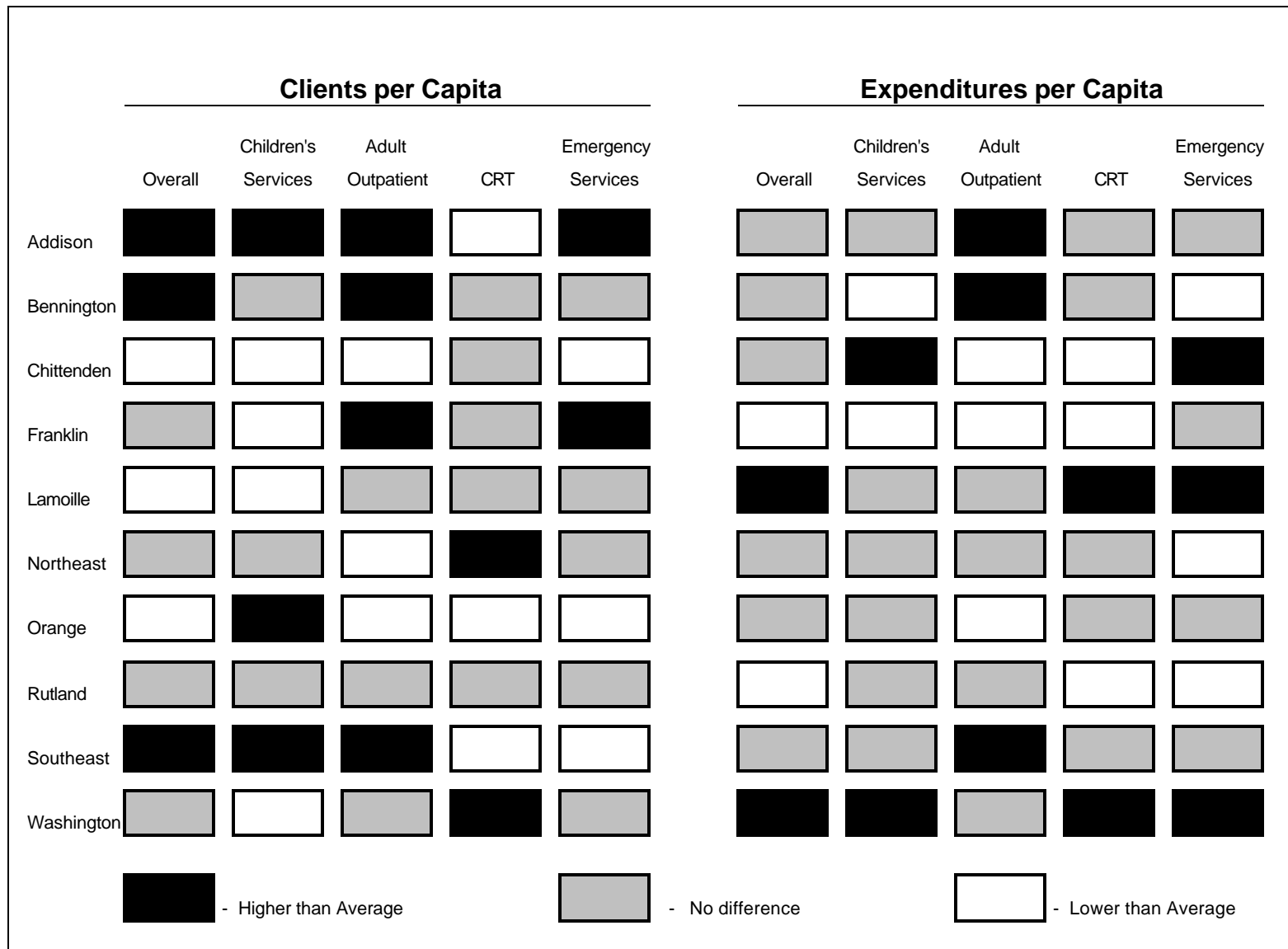
We have begun to prepare program level summaries in a similar format. These program level reports will include more detailed information about accessibility for some of the special populations that were specified in your recommendations.

We will be interested in your evaluation of this report format. Is this something that might be easily understood by diverse audiences? Is this too much to put on one page? Should more information be provided on this page? We will also be interested in your interpretation of the information. What does this page tell you about Vermont's system of care? What would you like to know that this page does not tell you? Please give us a call (802-241-2638 for John, or ...2682 for Bill), or e-mail to jpandiani@ddmhs.state.vt.us.

ACCESS TO COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

CLIENTS SERVED AND DOLLARS EXPENDED PER CAPITA

BY VERMONT REGION: 1997



Clients per capita are based on the number of assigned clients represented in Quarterly Service Reports (QSR) submitted by Vermont's community providers. Expenditures per capita include total expenditures reported in electronic financial reports regardless of type of expenditure or source of revenue. Population figures are projections for 1997 based on estimates published by the Vermont Department of Health.